

653—14.2 (272C) Definitions.

“*Board*” means the board of medicine of the state of Iowa.

“*Health contract*” or “*contract*” means the written document executed by an applicant or licensee and the IPHC which establishes the terms for participation in the Iowa physician health program.

“*Impairment*” means an inability, or significant potential for inability, to practice with reasonable safety and skill as a result of alcohol or drug abuse, dependency, or addiction, or any mental or physical disorder or disability. For the purposes of this program, “impairment” does not include sexual dysfunction, sexual addiction, sexual compulsivity, paraphilia, or other sexual disorder.

“*Initial Agreement*” means the written document establishing the initial terms for participation in the Iowa physician health program.

“*IPHC*” or “*committee*” means the Iowa physician health committee.

“*IPHP*” or “*program*” means the Iowa physician health program.

“*Participant*” means an applicant or licensee who does any of the following: self-reports an impairment to the Iowa physician health program, is referred to the Iowa physician health program by the board pursuant to 653—14.11(272C), signs an initial agreement with the Iowa physician health committee, or signs a contract with the Iowa physician health committee.

“*Referral by the board*” means the board has determined, with or without having taken disciplinary action, that the applicant or licensee is an appropriate candidate for participation in the IPHP pursuant to 653—14.11(272C).

“*Self-report*” means an applicant’s or a licensee’s providing written notification to the IPHC that the applicant or the licensee has been, is, or may be impaired. Information related to an impairment or a potential impairment which is provided on a license application or renewal form may be considered a self-report upon the request of the applicant or licensee and authorization from the board and agreement by the IPHC.